



Newsletter 2

September 27 2023

Dunbarney Primary School

Updates & News for Families and Friends of our School



Louise Kelly HT

Hello to all our Dunbarney families and friends, can you believe that we are already nearing the end of our first full and very busy term? Where have the weeks gone?

As they have flown by, there have been a few changes to our staffing across the term and I would like to make sure that everyone is updated on these changes:

First and foremost, we are sad to announce that Mrs Andrea Dewar (Admin & PSA) is off to pastures new and will leave us, not just for a holiday but for the final time, on Friday 6 October 2023. I'm sure you will agree that Mrs Dewar will be sorely missed by everyone as she is a prominent figure in our school and community; working hard both during and out of school hours to enrich the learning experiences for our children. The children will have a chance to say their final farewells to Mrs Dewar at our school Harvest assembly next Friday, for now, we would like to formally wish her all the very best and say a huge thank you for all her hard work and dedication over the years. We will miss you Mrs Dewar!

We have welcomed Mr Kyle Dudding to our school this past week, Mr Dudding is our new Area Support Teacher and is timetabled to work in our school on a peripatetic model, he met the learners in P7 and P5 last week and enjoyed his time in their classrooms.

Ms Stacey MacIntosh has been appointed to our school as our new Play Practitioner in early years primary and will be working in our infant classes starting next week. Ms MacIntosh will be working Tuesday and Thursday mornings to support our class teachers to deliver high quality play & learning experiences in class. Welcome Ms MacIntosh.

Mr Hamish MacKinnon, Play Practitioner, has joined our staff team again this session and he is currently with us on a Wednesday. He is taking our P6 class through their official Playleaders training, he has also been working with P4/5 class as well as leading play at lunchtime. Lunchtime games are a great hit!

We have a few students joining us over the coming weeks for a block of experience and learning. From UHI Perth College we have two students who are studying their HNC Childhood Practice and will be working across P1 stage and our nursery. Welcome Miss Murrillo to Nursery and Miss Paul to P1. We also have a pupil from a local secondary school who will be gaining working experience in our mid-upper classes in November for a week. Welcome to Kieran Chan.

Finally, thank you everyone for your support over our first term, please do have a restful and healthy October holiday.



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Article 31 UNCRC - Children have the right to play and our Play Practitioner, Hamish, had lots of company to join in the fun at lunchtime today
[#nevertooldtoenjoyplay](#)



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Harvest Collection

This year we have decided to promote a harvest food collection to donate food to Perth Foodbank and we are asking for your help with donations. If you can support this collection, then please see the list of items currently in need:



URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS

FRUIT JUICE (LONG LIFE)

UHT MILK

JAM

INSTANT SNACKS

TINNED MEAT/FISH

POTATO MASH

SWEETS/CRISPS

Please note.

- They are unable to use food that is past the use by/best before date, so please donate food that is within date.
- They are unable to use fresh or chilled food.

Donations to be brought into school from Friday 29 September and placed on the collection table outside the school office by 9am on Thursday 6 October 2023. Many thanks in advance.

October Holidays

We're delighted to announce that Live Active Leisure's October Holiday Programme is now available!

Their Camps and Sessions have everything; from football to swimming, and gymnastics to curling, there really is something for everyone!

October Programme Link: <https://www.liveactive.co.uk/holidays>

Strategy Care Team Sessions in the October break

A poster with an orange background and a black border. At the top, it says "FREE OCTOBER HOLIDAYS FAMILY PLAY". Below that, it says "The Childcare Strategy Team would like to offer free family play throughout the October Holidays. No need to book just come along and meet us at the venues below and enjoy some family fun." There is a photo of pumpkins and autumn leaves. At the bottom, it lists dates and venues: Monday 9th & 16th October 10:00 - 15:00pm @ North Inch, PH1 5HG; Tuesday 10th & 17th October 10:00 - 15:00pm @ Rattray Park, (Next to Connect) PH19 2D; Wednesday 11th & 18th October 10:00 - 15:00pm @ Aberfeldy, Victoria Park, PH15 2BS; Thursday 12th & 19th October 10:00 - 15:00pm @ Macrossy Park, Crieff, PH17 4BP; Friday 13th & 20th October 10:00 - 15:00pm @ South Inch, Perth, PH2 8BU. Logos for Perth & Kinross Council and Live Active Leisure are at the bottom.

Bikeability

Our cycle training has got off to a flying start with P7s finishing their training with a cycle run around the village and out along the Old Edinburgh Road. The sun was shining for both sessions and the pupils had a great time – there were some very tired legs! P5 started their BA1 training last Friday, and their last session is Friday 3rd November - a massive thank you to the P5 adult helpers, who without you this training could not go ahead. P6 will be continuing their training with BA2 in term 2 and dates will be confirmed soon.

School Netball

Netball has got off to a very healthy start with 18 pupils from P5, P6 & P7 registered and taking part each week. Due to Mrs Dewar leaving Dunbarney PS at the end of the term, the last training session will be Tuesday 3rd October – we are hoping to get another coach to take over from Mrs Dewar and we will be in touch with all players once this is in place. If anyone can take on this role, then please contact Miss Kelly as we are still trying to find a new netball coach.

Bridge of Earn Netball Club (a community club) welcomes pupils from P5 to U17s – please contact the club directly if your child is interested in training with them. They are at capacity for now but do have a waiting list so players can be added to the list if interested.

Cricket

Our senior pupils in P7 have been enjoying cricket coaching with Richard Rennie from Perth Cricket Club (organised through Active Schools) on a Monday afternoon and this coaching has continued into an after-school club with Richard. A huge thank you to Richard for your time and expertise.

Class Visits and Trips out of School

Our Primary 6 class have already been on a class excursion this term and thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Perth Museum and Art Gallery. Barbara guided the children around the Art Gallery and discussed the different categories of art on display then they had a look around the gallery before completing their own acrylic masterpiece! Our resident artist, Mrs Cochrane, took some children around Perth to find some of the art and sculptures in our city centre. Primary 5 are due to visit next week and we hope they come back with glowing reviews too. Thank you, Barbara, for our tours.





Primary 1 and Primary 1-2 are off to Dundee Science Centre in November and we are sure the children are all looking forward to their day out. (Date below)

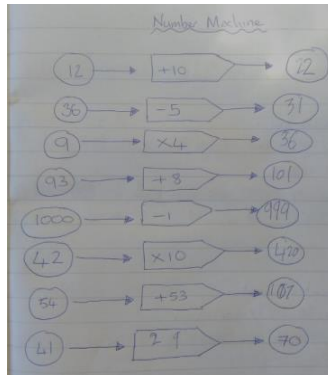
Watch this space for more class excursions and thank you to our Dunbarney PS Parent Council for their generous donation of £7 per child to reduce the cost of a school trip for every child.

A few Online Learning Highlights from some of our Learners this week so far:

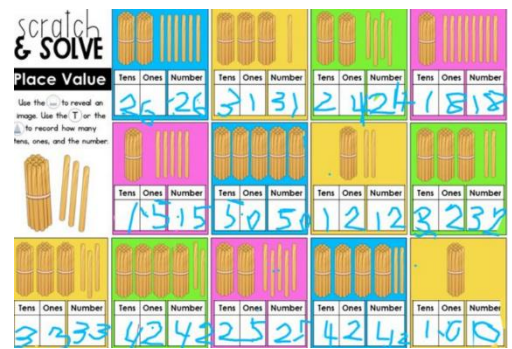
Active Spelling P5



Number Machines P4/5



Place Value P1/2



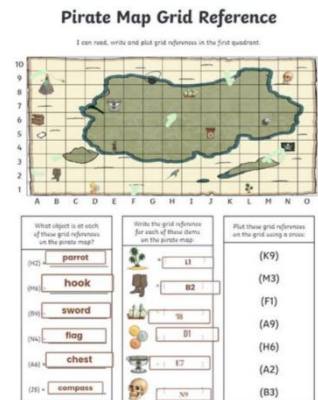
Clean Up Poster – IDL P1



Alphabetical Order P2/3












Grid Reference P3/4



P6 Grammar Revision

Task: Underline the correct word in each sentence. The first one has been done for you.

<u>There</u> / their is a burger for you in the kitchen.	
The musicians played <u>their</u> / they're instruments.	
"There / <u>they're</u> my bottles of juice," said Joe.	
"The bus is over <u>there</u> / their," said Amy.	
<u>They're</u> / there going to buy some groceries.	
Their / <u>they're</u> going by aeroplane.	
<u>There</u> / their are two cats over their / <u>there</u>	
They're / <u>there is</u> a slide in the park.	
They had a pizza for <u>there</u> there lunch.	

P7 IDL Famous Leaders Fact Finding

Background
- early life
- education
- family

His wife is Jill Biden

Joe Bidens kids are: Hunter Biden, Ashley Biden, Beau Biden, Naomi Christina Biden

Born in Scranton in Pennsylvania, Biden moved with his family to Delaware in 1953. He studied at Delaware University before earning his law degree from Syracuse University. He was elected to the New Castle County Council in 1970 and to the U.S. Senate in 1972.

Pupil Leadership Groups

Leadership opportunities for our learners are growing across our school and we now have our P7 House Captains, Vice Captains working in their roles; their first task being to organise our Fun Run Fundraiser!



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Official ****Congratulations**** 🎉 to our newly appointed House & Vice Captains for 2023-24! We know you will do a terrific job leading your houses & we are as proud as punch for you all.

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25 September 2023

Hi Everyone

We are your House Captains and Vice Captains

We are here to tell you about a fundraising event that is happening next week in our school.

We are encouraging you to raise money for our school by asking your family and friends to sponsor you to run as many of your laps of Victory Park as you possible can. We are calling this a Dunbarney Dash!!

Join us over at Victory Park (football pitch) next Tuesday afternoon from 2.15 pm and you will have plenty time to run your laps. Run as many of the proposed number of laps for your stage as you can as each lap makes money for the school. You can run, jog, walk and skip!!! Whatever you can manage.

You can bring items of fancy dress to school in your schoolbag and change into these after lunchtime if you wish to make this more fun by doing it this way. (You don't have to dress up if you don't want to)

Remember, whatever you bring needs to be safe for you to complete your laps whilst wearing it. We don't want people falling over and hurting themselves.

We will give everyone a sticker to wear as you run and your laps will be marked with tally marks on your sticker as you go around the track. We will mark your laps with the help of the adults in school (and maybe some parents who can manage along to the park to help) on your stickers. The tally marks will then be counted at the end in school and your number of laps will go home with you on a slip to let your sponsors know what you manage to achieve.

Take your sponsorship forms home and have a chat about it with your families 😊

You do not need to collect the money from your sponsors before you run, this means you have plenty time to ask for a sponsorship and it gives you time over the October holidays to gather the money.

PS – If it is raining then we will organise laps of the hall with 2 classes running at a time.

From Your House Captains – **Culzean, Glamis, Drummond and Urquhart**

We have senior Digital Leaders from P5-P7 joining Mrs Chan to support pupils in all classes to recognise ways to keep safe online as well as supporting the development of digital learning.

And each class has elected two Student Council members who meet with Miss Kelly, to help improve all aspects of our school and learning where they or their peers identify a need for action, improvement, or change. Here are the minutes of the first Student Council Meeting:



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Our School Council Reps met for the first time today & were straight down to business. The force is strong in these young Leaders! Congratulations to you all on your nominations, you will be officially presented with your badges in our next assembly 🎉

#leadershipatalllevels




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Dunbarney Student Council

The Cheese in the Bread Council! – 08/09/23 (9.10-10am)

Chairperson Anna Lee P7– Nominated and seconded by James & Duncan.

Secretary – Amy P7

Present: James, Camille, Lacey, Dominika, Amy, Anna Lee, Rosa, Josh, Theo, Holly, Charlie, Max, Duncan, Alex, Madison, Neiva, Miss Kelly HT

Apologies: P5 class reps Kate & Ethan

Agenda Items	Discussion	Actions
Nominations	Our <u>Chairperson</u> was voted in – Anna Lee stood for Chair and was voted in. There was a vote for Secretary around the table and Amy won the vote – voted in as Secretary and James will be acting if either are absent.	Anna Lee to chair council meeting – 6 th October Amy took minutes of meeting and will prepare Agendas in future.
The name of our council	The name The Cheese in the Bread was fondly voted <u>for</u> and we prefer to be known as a Student Council! This was chosen because the council body was referred to as the bread and butter of change!!	
Trim Trail	James: Fix the missing stumps. Charlie: Do fundraisers to fix the gazebo.	Suggestion box for every class.
Football pitch	Rosa: Fix the lines on the pitch. Duncan: Build higher fences at the football pitch. Anna Lee suggested that all of this cost a lot of money so we should maybe do one thing at a <u>time</u> and everyone agreed.	James and Alex will create a speech for next weeks assembly and ask parents if they can speak at parent council meeting at start of next week's Parent Council meeting on 14 th Sept. Approach House Captains to help with a fundraising fun run too.
Fundraisers for Trim Trail	James: Do a fun run, spread the word at assembly with a speech. James and Alex making a speech at lunchtime. Work together with Parent council and House Captains.	Duncan and Madison asking Mrs Johnstone to ask a company to see how much it is to fix the trim trail.
Vandalism in our garden	We are wondering how much it costs to fix our <u>trim trail?</u> Lots of discussion about what happens in the evening to the garden and trim trail. Annoyance around it being broken.	Miss Kelly to ask staff at Bertha Park if the children can go and ask older teenagers to help them to look after and stop older children from vandalising our garden and trim trail.
A.O.B	Agenda for future meetings.	Suggestion box for every class to help form agenda – reps will <u>ask</u> teachers to have time to make this and have one in class. Adults can add to is too.

Tayside School Contracts



Let your kids choose their favourite dish!

Check out our menu  [tc-document \(tayside-contracts.co.uk\)](https://tc-document(tayside-contracts.co.uk))

and our Nutrition and Allergen Webpage

 Lower Primary [Home - Tayside Contracts - tcprimaryad \(mysaffronportal.com\)](https://mysaffronportal.com/home-tayside-contracts-tcprimaryad)

 Upper Primary [Home - Tayside Contracts - tcprimary \(mysaffronportal.com\)](https://mysaffronportal.com/home-tayside-contracts-tcprimary)

Spooky Menu – Menu Change for Tuesday 31 October

Tayside Contracts will be serving a “Spooky Menu” on Tuesday 31 October.

The choices will be sausage rolls, quorn dog or chicken nuggets and toffee apple cake for dessert.

Crossing Patrol

Just a quick note to let everyone know that we continue to have no crossing patrol for the children and this will be the case right up to the October break. We will keep you updated on this situation after the October holidays. Please join us in saying a big GET WELL SOON to Karen!

Diary Dates

Here are some term dates for your diary – please note our school website now has a diary page, click on the link below:

[School Diary](#)

Date	Time	Activity	Venue
Friday 15, 22, 29 September Friday 6, 27 October Friday 3 November	1.30-3.00pm	P5 Bikeability 1 tbc	School Playground
Tuesday 3 October	2.15pm	Primary Fun Run – parents /carers welcome to come and cheer the children on and keep a tally.	Victory Park
Friday 6 October	9.50-10.30am	Harvest assembly Rev Wilson Donations to Perth Foodbank	School Hall Pupils Only
Friday 6 October	11-12noon	Pupil Council Meeting 2	GP Room
Friday 6 October	3.15pm	Term 1 Ends	
OCTOBER BREAK -SCHOOL CLOSED			
Monday 23 October	9am	Term 2 begins	
Monday 23, 24, 25,26, 27 October	1.30-3.00pm	P6 Bikeability 2 tbc	School Playground
23 October – 4 Dec	6-7pm	P7 Boys Tennis	B.o.E Tennis Club
Tuesdays 24 October - 19 Dec	1.30-2.15pm	P7 Swimming	Perth Leisure Pool
Friday 27 October PC info to follow:	6-7pm Nursery-P3 7.15 -8.15pm P4-P7	Parent Council Halloween Discos Primary 4 in P3/4 can choose which one they attend.	School Hall
Monday 30 October Session 1 & for 6 weeks 4 Dec is last session	3.15-4.15	P1 Coding Club (look out for Parent Permission)	With Mrs Chan in P1 classroom
Tuesday 31 October	lunchtime	Tayside Contracts – Spooky Lunch – Themed school lunch day	School
Wednesday 1 November	4.30-7pm	Parent Contact session 1	School/Classrooms
Thursday 2 November	3.30-6pm	Parent Contact session 2	School/Classrooms
Friday 3 November	9.50-10am	Pupil Council Meeting 3	School Hall
Thursday 9 November Session 1 & for 6 weeks 14 Dec is last session	3.15-4.15	P3 & P4 Makaton Choir (look out for Parent Permission)	With Mrs A Paterson & Miss Mathieson in school hall
Friday 10 November	ALL DAY	School Closed Inservice Day	
Wednesday 15 November	All School Day	P1 & P1-2 to Dundee Science Centre. Parent Pay info after Oct break	Dundee Science Centre
Wednesday 15 November	1.20-3.10pm	Ashleigh Higgins Progress of City Hall – P5 & P6 workshop	School/Classrooms
Thursday 16 November	6:15 pm – 7:30 pm	Parent Council Meeting 2	School

Term 2 & 3 dates tbc	Various times in school day tbc	P4-P7 Rugby Coaching	School & Victory Park
Tuesday 28 November	Time tbc	St Andrews - Day of Dance	In school - Virtual
Thursday 30 November	9am-12noon	Flu Immunisations	In School
Friday 1 Dec	9.50-10am	Pupil Council Meeting 4	School Hall

Please note that information for each event will be shared with parents / carers closer to the date. We have assemblies in school most Friday mornings, this year each class will host an assembly to share their learning. Dates will be shared with parents/carers once classes have signed up to these at our teacher business meeting this week. (see below)

A Christmas Festive Calendar will be shared when all the date are diarised next term.

- **P3/4 Class Assembly Friday 3 Nov 9.50-10.30 am – Parents/carers welcome to attend – 1 visitor per child max. (hall capacity)**
- **P6 Class Assembly Friday 8 Dec 9.50-10.30 am – Parents/carers welcome to attend – 1 visitor per child max. (hall capacity)**
- **P2/3 Class Assembly Friday 15 Dec 9.50-10.30 am – Parents/carers welcome to attend – 1 visitor per child max. (hall capacity)**

